

## **New Jersey Department of Children and Families Policy Manual**

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Title	5	Community Affairs	Date:
Chapter	60	Displaced Homemaker Programs	
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## §5:60-3.1 Procedures for funding

- (a) The Division on Women shall initially prepare and distribute a request for proposals (RFP) to sponsors of qualified existing programs as of January 1, 1994 and shall establish a minimum level of funding for those programs. When all qualified existing programs have reached the minimum level of funding, the Division shall issue an open competitive RFP in order to fund new programs, with preference to be given to programs proposed in counties not served by qualified existing programs.
- (b) Notice of each RFP shall be published in the New Jersey Register and shall be distributed to all potentially eligible program sponsors known to the Division.
- (c) In order to be eligible for consideration, a program sponsor must submit its proposal within the time period indicated in the notice of the RFP in the New Jersey Register.
- (d) All proposals shall be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Director of the Division that shall include representatives of the displaced homemaker community and shall reflect the racial, ethnic, regional and economic diversity of the State's population.
- (e) Awards shall be set at the discretion of the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, upon the recommendation of the Division on Women and shall not, in the aggregate, exceed the amount of money collected and deposited in the Displaced Homemaker Trust Fund.
- (f) The Department of Community Affairs may award a program sponsor an amount different from the amount requested; provided, however, that, to the extent that available funds allow, each qualified existing program shall receive at least the amount established as a minimum by the Division on Women.
- (g) New programs established after January 1, 1994 are not designated as "qualified existing programs." The Division on Women shall determine eligibility

for new programs to receive the minimum funding amount through utilization of the following criteria:

- 1. The program must provide services listed in N.J.A.C. 5:60-2.3;
- 2. Preference will be given to programs located in a county or region where there are no Division on Women Programs;
- 3. The program must have an institutional or community based host agency to provide support services and facilities; and
- 4. The program must document the need for its services in the region or community in which it proposes to be located.
- (h) Continuation of the minimum level of funding shall be conditioned upon the compliance of qualified existing programs and new programs with the requirements of the Displaced Homemaker Act; regulations promulgated by the Division on Women pursuant to P.L. 1993, c.188; the terms and provisions of the grant agreements to be executed between the Division and the aforementioned programs; and the efficient and effective provision of services to displaced homemakers by such programs.